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WILDWOOD'S SLY NEW MATE

A weasel has been loaned to Wildwood animal park so it can help produce the next generation of the wily creatures.

Studley, who is male, is on loan from the British Wildlife Centre. During his visit, which is due to last several months, he will be expected to mate with Wildwood's own female weasels.

Some of the baby weasels will go back to the British Wildlife Centre, but the rest will stay in Wildwood, near Canterbury. And their keepers will be hand-rearing some of the animals so they can be in films and talks for the park.

• BBC's Countryfile at Wildwood, see page 2

■ BY IAN READ

THE trial of a careworker accused of stabbing her pal's boyfriend to death after a drunken sex session will resume again tomorrow.

Lara Doran, 23, is charged with murdering Andrew Wilbey, 21, as she tried to stop him choking his girlfriend Leanne Phillips.

The two women claim Mr Wilbey came to the flat in Tennyson Avenue, Canterbury, in a jealous rage after they had invited two soldiers home for sex with them.

A jury at Maidstone Crown Court heard how the accused and Miss Phillips, 24, had been drinking heavily and smoked drugs on their return on June 19 last year.

Miss Phillips told the court her on-off relationship with Mr Wilbey was an abusive one.

She said: "We couldn't live with each other and we couldn't be apart."

After Mr Wilbey was found dead with a knife in his back, doctors confirmed his girlfriend had marks on her neck that would indicate she had been strangled.

The court also heard how the squaddies – who met the girls during a pub crawl in Canterbury – beat a hasty retreat when they heard Wilbey was on his way to Doran's flat.

Lance Corporal Patrick McDonald said he and his friend Lance Corporal Gary McGibbon fled so fast they left some of their clothes.

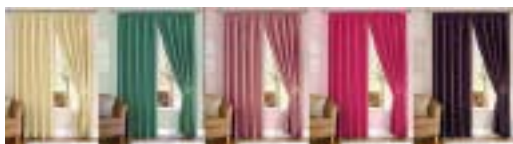
He said: "Leanne was on the phone. The person she was talking to was her boyfriend. She said: 'I think you'd better put your clothes on – my boyfriend's coming.'"

The soldier told the jury that after meeting

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OVERFLOWING: Raw sewage is being pumped into rivers near villages hit by recent flooding



Villagers' fury as sewage is pumped into flooded rivers

■ BY JENNY ARMSTRONG

VILLAGERS have expressed their disgust at living in what they have described as "third world" conditions.

Utilities company Southern Water has been pumping sewage into the river Nailbourne and the Little Stour at Bishopsbourne, Patricxbourne, Bekesbourne and Littlebourne, contaminating the length of the river.

This started when sewage came up both plug-holes and toilets in some of the villages.

A Patricxbourne resident, who lives close to the river, said: "In this day and age something should be done. I don't want to live in a third-world country with raw sewage floating by.

Health hazards

"It's such a shame because the river came back on March 18 and there were people down here walking along it, appreciating how beautiful it looks.

"There were people and dogs playing in it and then, a few days later, sewage is being pumped into it with all the possibilities of the health hazards that go with that."

There have been reports of dogs and children who played by the river having upset stomachs. Warning notices have been put up, but there are some long stretches with no signs.

Some homeowners next to the river were unaware of the sewage passing their back-gardens.

The river Nailbourne runs only when the water-table is high enough. In 2000 it burst its banks and several houses were flooded.

City councillor Tony Austin, chairman of the Little Stour and Nailbourne River Management Group, said: "We met Southern Water after the big floods and they said they were going to sort out the sewer. Unfortunately, not a lot has happened. The group is not happy. We are paying our water bills and deserve better."

Bridge Parish Council has also expressed its disappointment.

A spokesman for Southern Water said: "Following the serious flooding that affected this area in 2001, Southern Water carried out comprehensive sewer re-lining works.

"This winter, the Nailbourne catchment has received over 258 per cent of its seasonal average rainfall.

"If the water table is too high, water can get into our sewerage system through pipe joints on both the public and private sewers and drains.

"If we did not remove this from the system, wastewater could overflow from manholes in roads, gardens, public places and even in homes.

"Pumping into the river is the last resort and only carried out in discussion with the Environment Agency."

Southern Water said the sewage is diluted and screened and people face no increased health risks if they take "normal basic hygiene precautions".

The situation will continue until water levels drop.

Convicted developer could face prison

MILLIONAIRE property developer Julian Brealy was due to be sentenced as we went to press after being convicted of corruption charges last month.

The cash for favours case also involved leading city councillor Roger Matthews who was cleared of the charges at the end of the three-week trial.

Councillor Matthews was allowed to live rent-free in a flat in Beltinge Road, which was owned by Brealy. Over six years he amassed rent arrears of £34,000. A confidential planning document was found in Brealy's offices. The six-man, six-woman jury decided that Brealy could have used the threat of instant repayment to influence planning decisions.

Judge David Griffith-Jones warned Brealy he was considering a prison sentence.

Cllr Matthews, who continues to represent the Greenhill and Eddington Ward as an independent, told Yourcanterbury he just wanted to put the case behind him.

To find out the result go to www.yourcanterbury.co.uk

Image released after raid on jewellery shop

CCTV image have been released by the police following a daylight raid on a Canterbury jewellers.

Anyone with information of the burglary, which took place at 3.25pm on Saturday, April 3, should call DS Andy Amor on 01622 690 690 or Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111.

Those providing useful information may be eligible for a reward.



Do you hold answers to city's election history?

CAN you solve the mystery of Canterbury's General Election history?

There has been debate in recent weeks on how long Canterbury has been a Conservative seat, and whether it holds any records for being held by one party for nearly 150 years.

If you know the answer, email your canterbury@kosmedia.co.uk or write to YourCanterbury, Apple Barn, Hythe Road, Smeeth, Ashford, TN25 6SR.

Craven interview gets prickly

NATURE programme Countryfile has been filming endangered animals at Wildwood's Woodland Discovery Park and the programme was shown on Sunday.

It featured a hedgehog and a pine marten from the park, which is between Canterbury and Herne Bay.

The BBC's John Craven went to the park to do the filming. The park has featured on Countryfile a number of times.

Hugh Warwick, who has recently written a book called A Prickly Affair - My Life With Hedgehogs was interviewed with one of the spiny mammals.

Hedgehogs are a partially protected species, but their main threat is habitat loss. They survive well in organic gardens with no hazards, woodland edges, hedgerows and suburban habitats.

Tony Mitchell-Jones from Natural England was filmed with pine martens to illustrate the issue to species in danger of extinction in the wild.

Pine martens are a fully protected species. They were common throughout the British Isles until the 19th Century but because of habitat loss and being killed for their fur they were forced into a small part of Scotland by 1926.

Wildwood's chief executive Peter Smith said: "Wildwood is a great resource for this type of filming. There are animals here that would take a film crew a long time to get good shots of and it gives us the opportunity to let people know about the work we do."

Wildwood animal park is a safe haven for native British species, including wolves, beavers and wild boars which once roamed the countryside but have now died out in the wild.



ON FILE: Countryfile presenter John Craven with Wildwood's Hugh

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Emergency closure as takeaway is infested

Health officers are behind on food inspections

■ BY JENNY ARMSTRONG

STAFF shortages mean dozens of restaurants and food sellers across Canterbury are escaping health inspections.

In the past year, hard-pressed inspectors have seen one takeaway closed because of a cockroach infestation and a shop that had to close because of rats and mice.

It was revealed this week that redundancies and sickness mean the council is as short of staff as it was in the summer, when two in every five businesses were not inspected in accordance with health regulations.

Before August the area only had five full-time environmental health officers to carry out hygiene inspections on all the eateries and catering businesses in the district. At the time equivalent boroughs had 6.6 full-time officers.

The Canterbury department was so desperate for staff the council was forced to move an inspector in from their housing section in August last year.

But since then another food inspector was signed off sick for 11 weeks and then quit the section in December. During the same period another member of staff in the department was off sick for nine weeks.

And the council is unable to say how far behind it is with food inspections.



INFESTATION: Cockroaches led to the city's first ever emergency closure of a takeaway in October 2008

A council report has outlined a number of serious food hygiene breaches in the district, but the council refused to comment on whether staff shortages have played a part.

Since October 2008 the first ever emergency closure of a takeaway in Canterbury had to be carried out because of a cockroach infestation and a shop had to be closed because it was infested with rodents.

The report also revealed a major outbreak of a rare type of food poisoning and an investigation into oyster-related viral illnesses which occurred between January and March of this year is ongoing. But the council has refused to reveal any further details.

Emergency closure was the fate of another

takeaway, this time because of a rodent infestation and structural condition, and a bakery was prosecuted for 47 food offences on five different occasions over a nine-month period.

During the same period 22 formal notices were given to four other businesses to make sure improvements were being carried out.

A council spokesman said: "The rodent infested takeaway was the Palace Takeaway in St Dunstan's, that is now under new ownership."

"The cockroach incident was at the Masala Bay in Herne Bay, and that too is under new ownership. That was inspected as a result of a complaint."

"The oyster inquiry does not necessarily relate to oysters produced in the Canterbury district area, but they are being sold here and that does concern us."

According to the council, the outbreak was not due to anything anyone had eaten in a restaurant, although the investigation was never able to determine with 100 per cent conviction the origin of the illness.

The council spokesman said: "We endeavour to do our best and compensate when there are staff sicknesses. In any working environment you have to accept there will be sickness, and that should not prevent normal business."

Despite the recession there are now 1,626 catering businesses in the district – up from 1,539 in March. Canterbury has 40 per cent more food orientated firms than the average Kent district.

Councillor charged with sex offences

A CANTERBURY councillor has appeared in court charged with sex offences on children.

Martin Fisher, 60, was been remanded in custody after an appearance at Dover Magistrates Court on Saturday



He was arrested on Thursday morning at his home in Queens Road, Whitstable, and charged with indecent assault, sexual touching and making and possessing indecent images of children.

Cllr Fisher who represents Tankerton ward has been suspended from the Tory party. He will appear in court on Friday.

Theft during holiday

OPPORTUNISTIC burglars have stolen paintings and jewelry worth more than £2,000 from a house in Monastery Street in Canterbury.

The paintings were taken when the house was left empty whilst the owners were away between 7.45am on Monday, March 22, and 8pm on Friday, March 26.

Three oil paintings of a stream scene by Ron Folland, were taken in the burglary along with another four depicting the Isle of White, and three signet rings.

Arrested for assault

A 27-year-old Canterbury man has been arrested for assault occasioning grievous bodily harm, criminal damage and affray after a man was attacked at his home.

Two Sheerness teenagers were arrested on the same charges after the attack in Queensway, Sheerness, at 4.40am on Thursday.

DC Jo Kirkham said: "Anyone with information is asked to contact us on 01795 419 337 or anonymously on 0800 555 111."

The defendant 'was out of it'

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the girls they went to several pubs before buying booze in ASDA. He said both girls were smoking cannabis.

L/Cpl McDonald said he had sex with Lara and the other couple were having sex on the sofa. He said: "Lara became sick through a combination of drink and weed."

Leanne stopped having sex with Gary. Gary and I carried Lara into her bedroom. She was lying on the bed with a thong on being sick.

"I lay on the bed with her but Gary and Leanne went back into the lounge. Lara was out of it."

The court heard Wilbey had been exchanging angry texts with Miss Phillips and decided to confront her. She let him into the flat and neighbours heard arguing and then screams.

Housebound Martin Scopes was called to give evidence.

He said: "I heard a female voice say 'he's been stabbed' – then 'Andy breathe, breathe, breathe'. I went upstairs to Lara's flat and saw a male lying on the floor."

"A female was slumped against a wall. Lara was hysterical. There was blood everywhere."

He tried to revive Wilbey.

Doran, who denies murder, was taken ill last week and the case was adjourned until Thursday, April 15.



DJ is 'proper lost' on his way to nightclub

TIM Westwood, Britain's self-proclaimed answer to Eminem, got stuck in a field on his way to a gig at a Canterbury nightclub on Thursday.

The American SUV and muscle-car loving Pimp My Ride UK presenter was on his way to do a DJ set at the Chill nightclub when he got lost in deepest, darkest Kent.

On Twitter he said: "Drivin to Canterbury – motorway closed –

pressed find alternative route in stat nav. We are now in a field with the wheels spinin in the mud."

In true gansta hard man style the white rap-lover and BBC 1Extra DJ later said: "Now we're proper lost – need to ask in the post office."

Despite the mishaps Mr Westwood, who was billed to perform from 10pm until 3am, seems to have reached his destination and his adoring fans.

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Praying for the Commons touch

As Canterbury prepares for the election we take a look at the candidates vying for your vote...

CONSERVATIVE

Julian Brazier (Incumbent)

• **STATISTICS:** 2005 election: Won 44.4 per cent of the vote (21,113 votes). **CANDIDATE ELECTION HISTORY:** Has held the seat since 1987. He tried but failed to become MP for Berwick-upon-Tweed in 1983.

JULIAN Brazier was born in 1953, educated at boarding school Wellington College, read maths at Oxford and studied at the London Business School.

He worked in corporate finance for nine years and also served as an officer in the Territorial Army for 13 years. He is a practising Catholic and is married with three sons.

In his nearly quarter of a century in parliament Mr Brazier has campaigned for better support of the Armed Forces and the traditional family, and has promoted adoption.

He has held several positions in the shadow cabinet since 2002, and is currently the shadow transport minister.

Mr Brazier wants to defend the area's health services, protect the countryside, help the developing world and support students.

LABOUR

Jean Samuel

• **STATISTICS:** 2005 election: Labour won 28.7 per cent of the vote (13,942 votes). **CANDIDATE ELECTION HISTORY:** New candidate.

Jean Samuel was state and university educated. She has lived in Whitstable with her husband since 1989, and has three children.

Mrs Samuel has worked in the BBC's, at Pfizer in Sandwich, she has set up a business and been a company director. She currently works for a global healthcare company and has been an active member of the Labour Party for more than 20 years.

She is opposed to a rigid curriculum and the Kent Test and supports apprenticeships. She thinks carbon production and air travel should be reduced, public transport should be improved and the train station at Seasalter Halt should be re-opened.

She is also against the new Heathrow runway and a possible London Estuary airport. Mrs Samuel wants to help the poor by capping lending rates and establishing credit unions.

LIBERAL DEMOCRAT

Guy Voizey

• **STATISTICS:** 2005 election: The Liberal Democrats won 21.1 per cent of the vote (10,059 votes). **CANDIDATE ELECTION HISTORY:** Was parliamentary candidate for the Liberal Democrats in the South Thanet constituency in 2005 and 2001, and came third each time.

GUY Voizey read politics, philosophy and economics at Oxford and is studying for a masters in development management.

Mr Voizey taught economics and politics in Surrey, and has been working as a financial journalist for the last eight years. He is married with young children.

Mr Voizey believes there should be more flexibility in school, and the Government should support people who want to study later

in life. He thinks there should be less red tape for small businesses and believes the UK should give more help to developing countries.

On local issues, Mr Voizey has come out against building thousands of homes adjacent to Canterbury, is against closing the area's museums and would support an independent Whitstable town council.

GREEN

Geoff Meaden

• **STATISTICS:** 2005 election: Won 3.2 per cent of the vote (1,521 votes). **CANDIDATE ELECTION HISTORY:** Ran for the Green Party in 2005 and came fourth, and as part of a Green/Plaid Cymru alliance in 1997 when he came fifth.

GEOFF Meaden was the principal lecturer in geography at Christ Church University until he retired. He now uses computer mapping to manage world fish stocks on behalf of the United Nations.

Dr Meaden believes we should encourage green industry, close the gap between rich and poor, ban big bonuses, improve public transport and preserve the countryside.

Locally, he believes higher educational establishments should provide more accommodation for students. He favours small businesses on the high street and thinks fewer people should commute to Canterbury.

UKIP

Howard Farmer

• **STATISTICS:** 2005 election: UKIP won two per cent of the vote (926 votes). **CANDIDATE ELECTION HISTORY:** New candidate.

HOWARD Farmer is 51 and lives in Whitstable. He is a self-employed tradesman with an online company, and makes biodiesel from waste cooking oil. He is passionate about sustainability and disagrees strongly with animal experimentation, the fur trade, felling trees and over-fishing the oceans.

Mr Farmer wants a freeze on immigration and wants England to stop paying money to the European Union. Locally he thinks there should be more local referenda, 24-hour police stations and an accident and emergency unit at Canterbury. He also wants to keep Whitstable harbour as a working harbour, sort out Canterbury's pot holes and drunks and set up more youth clubs.

MONEY REFORM PARTY

Anne Belsey

• **STATISTICS:** 2005 election: Did not run. **CANDIDATE ELECTION HISTORY:** Contested the 2006 Bromley and Chislehurst by-election for the Money Reform Party and came eleventh.

Anne Belsey was born in Dover in 1958, but bought up in South Yorkshire. After dropping out of Kent University she spent 20 years working for British Rail.

In 1994, she introduced a community currency scheme in Canterbury, which lasted for six years. In 2003, she helped set up and run a credit union in the area. She is the founder of the Money Reform Party. The sole purpose of her party is to reform Britain's money supply so it is no longer based on debt.



BIG CHANCE: (From top, left to right) Anne Belsey (Money Reform Party), Julian Brazier (Conservative Party), Howard Farmer (UKIP), Geoff Meaden (Green Party), Jean Samuel (Labour Party) and Guy Voizey (Liberal Democrats)



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BOUNDARY CHANGES

THE Marshside ward, which includes the villages of Westbere, Upstreet, Hersden, Chislet, Hoath and Maypole will no longer be part of the Canterbury and Whitstable constituency as it has moved into the North Thanet constituency.

As well as adding Marshside, the North Thanet con-

• **Look out for next week's Yourcanterbury in which we will look at the candidates for Thanet North, which includes Herne Bay.**

stituency, which includes Herne Bay, now also includes the Thanet villages ward and the villages of Minster, Mount Pleasant, Manston and Kent International Airport.

But the North Thanet constituency no longer includes the Cliftonville West and Cliftonville East wards one the Isle of Thanet.

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Gay theatre talk

GAY group Pride in Canterbury is hosting a talk on the recent history of gay community theatre.

Everyone is welcome to the lecture on 'Gay Sweatshop', a theatre company formed in 1975 to provide a realistic representation of gay and lesbian people.

The talk is being given by Philip Osment who was an actor, playwright and director at the company in the 1970s and 1980s.

The lecture is on Monday, May 24 at 7.45pm at the Friends Meeting House in The Friars, Canterbury, near the Marlowe Theatre. Tickets are £3 on the door.

Over 60s celebrate

MEMBERS of the First Herne Bay Over 60s Club enjoyed a fish and chip supper to celebrate the renovation of their club house.

On Thursday, March 25 about 60 members of the club, which has more than 250 regular members, met up for dinner with wine and organist John Bliss after their premises on William Street were closed for a facelift.

Town plots launch

A GREEN group will soon be running regular food-growing activities at an allotment outside the Whitstable library.

Transition Town Whitstable is currently getting the town-centre plot ready for fruit and vegetables by digging over the soil and adding compost, topsoil and manure into the raised beds.

The plot's grand launch will take place on Saturday, April 24 at 11am with the first growing session when experienced allotmenters will be giving information for anyone who wants to join in.

Ex-mining town is marching to a creative beat

■ BY JENNY ARMSTRONG

LANTERN-making, pottery and African drumming have come to the sleepy village of Aylesham, which is brim-full of creativity thanks to the Relativity Project.

Set up two years ago, the Big Lottery-funded venture is helping the ex-mining community break the bonds of social deprivation and get back on its feet.

The idea of the project is to give children the chance to enjoy creative and unusual activities, with the whole family so they can learn together and find out more about one another.

So far the project has worked with around 300 families, and also has sessions just for dads and their children so fathers can feel more comfortable spending time with their kids.

Project worker Cormac Martin said: "We did a week-long science project and a mum, who was quite disengaged, came in with her daughter.

"She came to a series of our projects and her self-esteem just rose and she decided to go into further education. She is now doing a science-based course."

Courses range from messy arts activities like mask-making, pottery, play dough, face-painting, theatrical make-up and puppet-making to more sporting activities like archery and circus skills.

For the more musical there are drumming sessions, instrument-making days and even DJing activities for teenagers, and more academic pursuits like nature days and science weeks.

Mr Martin said: "It is fun, and messy, and very playful. It breaks down people's barriers to learning and education.

"When people have become young-mums at 16-17, just to see them pick up a paint-brush is great. We get referrals by the health-visitors as well but some people don't even want to come out of their houses because of their inhibitions.

"We had a woman in her 50s try archery for the first time and she shot an arrow through an apple from 50 yards. Through our project kids get to see their parents as creative people and as something other than just mum and dad."

During a Relativity Project-run pottery group 11-year-old Marnie said: "I like doing this. I



CLAY TIME: Families enjoy painting their pottery creations in Aylesham Primary School

haven't done pottery before. I am here with my mum, my sister, my friend and my friend's mum."

Paula Dive, one of the mothers at the pottery class, said: "It is wonderful. The kids love it. We don't really do much together usually, so it is something nice for us all to do."

Mr Martin said: "There are various different government reports that say parents need to be involved in their children's learning.

"If a child has a bit of rough and tumble with their dad they can have more confidence in the playground, and if a parent reads to a child their vocabulary will develop and it broadens their horizons. It develops their relationship.

"If you haven't come from that kind of background, how do you know how to play, read, or make pottery with your child? It gives people opportunities they wouldn't have experienced.

"It is a beautiful thing to see a parent who isn't necessarily comfortable with their child making a train-set or painting with them."



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QUESTION & ANSWER

JODIE BRYAN



Q What is a normal day for you?

A You don't get a normal day, it is always different, and that is the part of the job I love. You never know what is going to happen next.

I normally deal with reports of anti-social behaviour and complaints. I mainly deal with students because I cover Christ Church and the University of Kent, so if there has been a late night party or students have damaged something I go and talk to them. I talk to them if they have fallen out with their friends too because these things can lead up to something a lot more stressful.

There is no day-to-day routine. I go out on patrol, talk to as many people as I can and find out what is going on. You know what is going on, you know the people you need to be aware of and you gather all the information which is all part of a big puzzle.

Q Why do people think PCSOs are not real police officers?

A People think of the police as a big, authoritative body that will just go and deal with a situation. But we are not PCs; that is not our intention.

We are in the community and approachable – we build the bridges between the community and the police. All PCSOs are really friendly people and really approachable and the community like to talk to us more, and then we feed that back.

Q What is the most challenging situation you have ever had to deal with?

A There is no particular situation because I have had loads, but the challenge really is thinking on your feet. We are in the uniform and when you walk around the corner anything could be happening, and you have to deal with it there and then.

Sometimes you turn up at a massive event or a rave that no-one knows about and you have got to sort out what you can do. You have to make sure everyone is safe and get on the radio, get more people to the situation.

Q What do you enjoy most about the job?

A The social side is great because you are talking to everyone the whole time, it is really good and exciting as well.

Helping people is also good. We deal with a lot of neighbour disputes. You will deal with one day after day and they will be phoning you up and you have to mediate. But by the end you will start to see progress, and when it ends up happy families it is really good.

Q What sort of crime do you have to deal with most?

A It is mostly anti-social behaviour like kids playing in the park and kicking a ball up against someone's window to late-night patrol up at the university with the students.

We tackle a lot of graffiti and I have been

working on a case recently. We got the man who did it because of informants speaking to me. I get people texting me all the time with little tip-offs because they trust me.

Q What takes up most of your time?

A Patrolling and getting to know the community. At the university that changes every year.

We do a lot of work with freshers because it is their first time away from home and they have no-one to keep on top of them, shut the doors behind them and lock up.

Q Are you treated differently in uniform because you are a woman?

A I think it works better because people aren't as frightened of me. A lot of people would be happier to talk to a female. I hope to come across as approachable and friendly.

Q I hear you are a keen horse-rider?

A I used to do a lot of horse-riding all over the country and I was training for the Olympics when I was 15, but they wanted me to move to Holland and it was a big decision to make, with all my GCSEs going on at the same time.

But I had quite a bad accident riding and was forced to sell my horse. I really want to get back in to it, and I am saving up.

Q&A

The 20-year-old Police Community Support Officer talks to **Jenny Armstrong** about how she deals with students at the universities of Kent and Christ Church in Canterbury, and how the community helps her

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BARLOW'S BEAT



WELCOME to what I hope will be a regular column where I can share my thoughts and address issues about policing across the Canterbury and coastal area. I am particularly pleased and proud to be District Commander for the area, especially as I started my police career here 14 years ago.



Steve Barlow

What I would like to do is to open the door a little on the realities of policing our city, towns and villages, and tell you about some of the things we are doing to tackle the issues that matter most to you.

The vast majority have no regular contact with the police and this was brought home to me a few weeks ago when I hosted a group of business people on a visit to a police station.

During the tour they met officers and staff, and I received many comments on how friendly and professional everyone was.

While this was good to hear, I couldn't help wonder what they'd expected. After all, we're only ordinary people doing what can be, at times, an extraordinary job.

In future, I hope to give you a flavour of some of the incredible work my teams are doing, day in and day out.

I am often in awe of them, when the only real risk I face is a paper cut from the paperwork that crosses my desk.

I'm also keen to hear your thoughts on the police service we provide. Questions or comments can be emailed to me at: askeastkent@kent.pnn.police.uk

Until next time, take care and be safe.
Chief Inspector Steve Barlow, District Commander for Canterbury and the coastal area



SADDLE UP: Steve Auty, CEO of the Pilgrims Hospices (left), with British Olympic gold medal winning cyclist Jamie Staff, who is backing the 70-mile ride

Riding to the challenge

■ BY JENNY ARMSTRONG

THE boss of Pilgrims Hospices is taking part in a cycling challenge for the charity – along with many of his staff.

Steve Auty, chief executive officer of the hospices, is set to ride the 70-mile Tri-Hospice Cycle Challenge in the company of many locals, colleagues and even Olympic gold medallist Jamie Staff.

Mr Auty is cycling as a member of Team Pilgrims which includes doctors, nurses, support staff and volunteers from the area's three palliative care centres, one of which is in Canterbury. The team will stop at each hospice and scatter

forget-me-nots in remembrance of friends and family. Mr Auty said he is taking on the challenge – on Sunday, May 9 – in memory of his parents, who died in the early 1990s.

He said: "Although I come from a cycling family, riding 70 miles will be the longest distance I have ever ridden and a real challenge."

"Training for the event brought back fond memories of my childhood. My father never owned a car and cycled to and from work every day. He also established a veteran cycle club in Yorkshire in the 1960s and I remember riding boneshakers and penny farthings at rallies as a

teenager. I also remember my mother's remarkable tolerance of bits of biking paraphernalia around her house. I am doing this ride in their memory."

The ride is a new fundraising event which all are welcome to take part in, whether in memory of someone or just as a fun day out.

Cyclists can do part of the route or complete it as a relay with friends. On the same day the three hospices in Canterbury, Ashford and Thanet will be hosting shorter 15-mile challenges for people of all ages and abilities.

To take part in the challenge, call 01227 782062 or visit www.pilgrimscyclechallenge.org.

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Cancer research breakthrough by campus team

SLOWLY but surely, scientists are edging towards a cure for cancer and now a Kent medical research team has revealed a new breakthrough.

Dr Mark Howard's research at the University of Kent's School of Biosciences has led to the development of a technique that will deliver cancer treatments direct to certain tumours and he has now patented the discovery.



RESEARCH: Dr Mark Howard

It is primarily aimed at targeting pancreatic cancer – which is difficult to treat – and involves cancer-targeting peptides binding to a protein complex found in high levels on many tumour cells but absent in most normal tissues. By seeking out this protein and binding to it, the peptides can deliver treatments directly to the site with increased precision and reduced side effects.

And the treatment is so effective that American company Aura Biosciences has already licensed the technique from Cancer Research Technology (CRT). Dr Howard's role in this development on behalf of CRT – which is owned by Cancer Research UK – involved identifying the shape of the peptides.

Effective

He said: "These peptides have a particular three-dimensional shape enabling them to specifically target this tumour-associated protein in a more effective way than ever observed before. We were able to model different peptide shapes and see a clear link between shape and effectiveness of the peptide."

Dr Howard, a member of the Protein Science Research Group, added that the technology has potential within tumour imaging and therapy for efficient identification and eradication of cancers.

The senior lecturer joined the School of Biosciences in 2001 and his research interests include the structural and dynamic characterisation of biochemically relevant molecules, enhanced structural stability in proteins and peptides, as well as advancing nuclear magnetic resonance spectroscopy.

Collateral damage when treating cancer cells has long been a problem.

But Dr Phil L'Huillier, director of business management at CRT, said: "These peptides have the potential to seek out and destroy cancer cells, leaving surrounding areas unharmed."

Crucially, this targeted treatment could also reduce the side effects that are commonly associated with standard therapies. We look forward to the results of this programme with great interest."

Police, camera, court action with civil liberties challenge

■ BY MARIJKE COX

KENT Police could face a flood of High Court cases after being accused of breaking privacy laws by storing photographs of innocent motorists.

Campaigners from civil rights group Liberty have vowed to support anyone who wants to take legal action against the force after a report by the National Policing Improvement Agency revealed that pictures taken using automatic number plate recognition (ANPR) technology – which are stored for up to two years – sometimes record passengers' faces.

The threat could spell particular trouble for Kent, which has so far invested £5.3 million into the system and claims to be one of the leading constabularies in the UK for using ANPR.

The technology, launched nationally in 2006, is used to detect criminal activity, ranging from motorists with no insurance to stolen vehicles. In Kent, it records the movements of one million cars a day using 200 hidden cameras in undisclosed locations.

A Liberty spokeswoman said police originally said the system would be used only to identify unlicensed and uninsured drivers.

"Now we see it being used for a myriad of pur-



FAIR COP?: Officers take details after the ANPR system flagged up a vehicle – but what about privacy?

poses without any public debate," she said.

Motorists without tax, MoT or insurance are most at risk of being stopped on the road due to the system being linked to the national DVLA database, but vehicles used in criminal activity have also been detected. As well as the fixed cameras, a team of mobile ANPR officers travels around the county stopping vehicles that have been flagged up.

But drivers' groups have also criticised the system, claiming everyone is being treated as a potential criminal. Ian Taylor, Kent spokesman

for the Association of British Drivers, said although motorists understand the reasons behind ANPR, keeping details of innocent drivers for so long was unnecessary.

He said: "We know it helps target criminals, we have no argument with that, but why does the system need to look at everyone and then keep their details, often of their faces, for such a long time? "Police are treating everyone as a potential criminal, being tagged and tracked wherever they go. In the past, officers stopped people who had done something wrong, now everyone is treated like a criminal."

"We have concerns about this information and control. How long before we are controlled on when or where we travel?"

Ch Insp Simon Black, head of ANPR at Kent Police, said it was unlikely images of innocent people would ever be viewed.

He said: "Cameras read the plates on vehicles and do on occasions capture an image of front seat passengers, but the primary objective is to capture the make, model and colour of the vehicle to help bring offenders to justice."

"We retain the information – as required by the Data Information Commissioner in his ruling in January – for two years."

"The ANPR system reads about a million plates a day, but if the vehicles are insured, taxed and haven't been used in crime, it's unlikely the images will ever be viewed. Therefore privacy is not compromised."

STUDLEY BY NAME...



A WEASEL as been loaned to Wildwood animal park so it can help produce the next generation of the wily creatures.

Studley, who is male, is on loan from the British Wildlife Centre. During his visit – scheduled to last several months – he is expected to mate with Wildwood's female weasels. Some of the resulting offspring will go to the British Wildlife Centre, but the rest will stay in Wildwood, at Herne Common.

And keepers will be hand-rearing some of the animals so they can be in films and talks for the park.

Karen Price, senior keeper at Wildwood, said: "He's getting used to his enclosure and a new mate. They're getting on fine and it will be good to have the patter of very small feet later in the year."

Wildwood, on the A291 between Canterbury and Herne Bay, houses a range of animals native to Britain and is open to the public.

Help! It's homework

PARENTS asked to help with homework are feeling the pressure as they struggle to support their child's learning, a report has revealed.

Almost 80 per cent admitted not understanding the curriculum, with 50 per cent of youngsters feeling confused when parents try to help.

The report 'I'm stuck – can you help me?' – commissioned by Government agency Becta – aims to provide parents with information to show them how to support their children.

Schools are also being encouraged to set up websites and learning platforms to equip parents with the resources they need to help with homework.

Neil McLean, executive director of Becta, said: "Schools benefit from proactive involvement from parents and if children feel they are getting the right support this has a positive effect on grades," he said. "Many schools are already using technology to advise parents on how best to support their children's education."

The report revealed 81 per cent of parents are asked for help with homework at least once a week and most admitted it proved challenging.

A third expressed a desire to know exactly how a teacher was explaining a topic so they could use the methods at home.

Becta is pushing for schools to get involved in its Next Generation Learning programme, which urges education officials to use technology to link parents with their child's curriculum.

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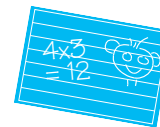


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BREAK TIME

Young pilgrims join walk to cathedral

NEARLY 700 young people were joined by the diocese's new bishop for their annual pilgrimage to Canterbury on Easter Monday.

The event, in which young Christians from the area converge on the cathedral, has been running for more than 30 years.

Bishop Trevor, the Bishop of Dover and Bishop in Canterbury, said: "This year's event saw nearly 700 young pilgrims join together for an exciting service which helped them appreciate the relevance of the Easter story."

The bishop and his wife, Margaret, joined the walk in Chartham. The Archbishop of Canterbury also took part, walking from Sturry village.

Girls work out the way to raise funds

HELPING leprosy sufferers was the aim of a giant workout by first year pupils at Simon Langton Girls' Grammar School, which raised more than £1,500.

Girls were told about the work of LEPRO, a charity fighting the disease, by community fundraiser Simona Acquasaliente. Children got their family and friends to sponsor them during an energetic aerobic afternoon.

Head of Year 7, Julie Goddard, who organised the workout, said: "I have been impressed with the sincerity and motivation of the whole year group."

"This is the third year the school has been involved and has now raised an overall total of nearly £5,600 for LEPRO."



GOOD SPORTS: Youngsters at St Thomas' Catholic Primary School took part in an Olympic-themed after-school club arranged by Christ Church University students

Students make an Olympic effort for after-school club

AN after-school sports club has been set up for primary school children by university students.

Funding from the Kent 20in12 initiative has enabled undergraduates from Christ Church University to set up the club for 74 St Thomas' Catholic Primary School pupils.

The third year PE and sports and exercise students worked in groups to plan and manage the club activities.

These were based around the 2012 Olympic Games and the themes of challenges, records and personal bests. Primary school pupils were given folders and certificates.

Student Nick Dunn said: "It was clear to see

■ BY JENNY ARMSTRONG

how much enjoyment the children got from taking part in the activities we organised. They were intent on improving their scores and wanted big points for their teams."

Kirsty Ager, also a Christ Church student, said: "Delivering a practical session has not only given me more experience teaching different age groups, but has also given the children a greater knowledge of the Olympics."

The Kent 20in12 initiative aims to capture the imagination of youngsters with activities linked to the 2012 Games.

Christ Church students worked together to

come up with activities for the primary school pupils. They then recorded the children's personal and group best results for five weeks and encouraged them to get better every week.

The primary school pupils were split into groups representing countries and they had to carry their adopted country's flag from one activity to another.

Dr Gemma Van Vuuren Cassar, senior lecturer at Christ Church, was in charge of the programme.

She said: "The children were keen to do their best and demonstrated a very strong value of judgement, fairness and honesty throughout."

"This has been a very rewarding project for all those involved."

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Hidden dangers in such desperation

The Safety Camera Partnership is getting increasingly desperate.

Has anyone done a proper risk assessment of members of the public operating this equipment?

A speed camera operator in Arizona was shot dead last year.

I'm not saying that's likely in the UK, but there are other risks, some of which were mentioned in the story.

There is no evidence anywhere in the world that speed enforcement improves road safety (but there are plenty of bogus claims exploiting statistics).

Eric Bridgstock, by email



Binge drinkers will always find a way

Small cider producers are right to be angry about the duty increase on strong cider.

This will not prevent anti-social drinking. Those intent on imbibing to excess are never going to be deterred by a price increase.

Binge drinkers will spend less on other products so they are able to afford alcohol. That so many people are seeking oblivion is a sad indictment of our broken society.

When teenagers, in particular, are so unhappy that they are regularly abusing alcohol to self-medicate then we know social fractures run deep. These are problems our politicians should be concentrating on and working to find solutions to.

The only folk turning their backs on cider after the duty hike are going to be small-business owners who, unable to make a profit, perceive no future in an industry being unfairly penalised for the mistakes of successive governments.

Clive Wilkins-Oppler, Canterbury

• Editor's note: The Government has dropped plans for the ten per cent tax increase on cider in order to get less controversial parts of the tax bill through following the election announcement last week. However, Labour has promised to reintroduce the tax rise if they return to power on May 6.

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Why the General Election should be the most exciting thing you'll do all year



Chris Blythe, chief executive, CIOB

ONLY three weeks and you forget all this General Election nonsense, eh?

Only three weeks and we can sit back and let our democratically-elected MPs run the country for another five years. Only another three weeks and your voice will no longer be heard...

In France 250 years ago philosopher Jean-Jacques Rousseau wrote: "The English people believes itself to be free; it is gravely mistaken; it is free only during election of members of parliament; as soon as the members are elected, the people is enslaved."

Okay, JJ could go a little over the top and, yes, it might have lost something in translation, but perhaps he has a point. Love 'em or loathe 'em, New Labour, who swept to victory in 1997, has changed this country.

On the plus side, we have shorter waiting times for operations; full-time workers are guaranteed 24 days' paid holiday; Scots and Welsh have their own assemblies; there are 85,000 more nurses and 32,000 more doctors (and who knows how many more in pen-pushing admin staff). You get the idea, the former Blair wannabe MPs have done some good things.

On the flip side, Mr B Liar did take us into a war for reasons we probably weren't too clear about. And there has been an explosion in made-up jobs in the public sector, like nappy advisers for new mums (£25,000 a year; see Guardian jobs), five-a-day co-ordinators (same salary, same jobs section) to tell us

what to eat to stay healthy. We're in a bit of debt too, and while the financial collapse was worldwide, we in Britain are worse off because Labour gave bankers far too much freedom and we will be paying for that cock-up for 40 years.

Immigration is a massive issue for this once-tolerant nation. In Labour's diversity-aware Britain we have an organisation for every group, be it ethnic, transgendered, gay, single parent etc.

However, while there is a black chief police officers' association the same thing couldn't exist for Caucasian cops. But as the flood of refugees, n'er-dowells, criminals and economic migrants have invaded Britain over the past decade, few dare discuss it for fear of being branded a BNP supporter or racist.

That surely is the legacy of Blair's Britain. We are watched by more CCTV cameras than any other nation, and the vital need for a voice to be given to all minorities has resulted in the majority thinking it's best to stay quiet.

If you own a guest house and suggest you are not happy letting a gay couple stay there, you'll get a visit from your not-so-friendly neighbourhood cop.

A pet shop owner who sold a goldfish to a boy aged 14, ends up tagged, fined and with a criminal record.

That's Britain under Labour.

Jean-Jacques probably had it right. So enjoy the next three weeks, it's our big chance to get the government we deserve. But will we take it?

Group editor Gary Wright

If there is a story in your area you think we should be covering contact the editor, Gareth Arnold, on 01303 817025 or email him on the details above. If you want to be the next Canterbury blogger then all you have to do is submit an article to us (of around 550 words) and email it to the editor. And don't forget, for all the latest news and video from your town log-on to www.yourcanterbury.co.uk.

Rail users will not be reassured by ratio

Your interview with Ed Walden of British Transport Police was very interesting and eye opening – and not in a good way.

I'm sure Mr Walden and his colleagues do their best, but 25 officers to police 110 railway stations the length and breadth of the county is not a good ratio.

Considering police normally patrol in pairs, that leaves about 12 patrols covering every station in Kent. It is little wonder then that many stations are vandalised and covered in graffiti and can feel quite threatening at night when, of course, there are no station staff to be seen. Perhaps more people would travel by train if the stations were more welcoming places.

Salley Osborne, by email

Touching tiny lives is what teddies are for

The late Peter Bull, actor, writer and bear-lover par excellence, always maintained that teddy bears were far superior to dolls.

In his opinion, dolls spend most of their time wondering what they are going to wear next, whereas your average teddy has its mind on higher things and, being more adventurous, likes nothing better than a good day out. A larger-than-

life character, the last time Peter and I met he was sharing a luncheon tray with his own bear, Theodore, on a plane to Greece.

How he would have loved to take part in Action Medical Research's annual Bring Your Bear event in June. It isn't quite the same as flying off to Greece but the concept of being allowed to take Theodore back to school, in return for a £1 donation towards the charity's Touching Tiny Lives appeal, would have been right up his street.

Action Medical Research is Paddington Bear's favourite charity and, since The aim of Touching Tiny Lives is to raise money to help fund research into the many complications that can surround bringing babies into this world, he would find it hard to think of a more wonderful way of celebrating his summer birthday, on June 25.

So, schools, nurseries and children's groups everywhere: don't forget to register in good time at www.action.org.uk/byb in order to receive your free fund-raising kit. I

It's full of ideas aimed at making Bring Your Bear a day to remember. It's really a case of Bears of Britain uniting in a thoroughly good cause. But for those taking part, if you don't have a bear – never fear. Speaking on behalf of Paddington, I'm sure he would agree that a favourite soft toy will be more than welcome and treated with the utmost respect. The more the merrier.

Michael Bond, author of the Paddington Bear stories, London

Essential to invest in UK's infrastructure

In response to Prime Minister Gordon Brown's announcement of a May 6 General Election, the Chartered Institute of Building (CIOB) has called on all political parties to listen to the construction industry.

What is clear is that the next government will be making some difficult decisions on public expenditure. Certainly all the parties are saying we cannot go on increasing public debt as we have done. The main area of difference seems to be when – rather than if – the cuts start.

But if we are to go back to a pattern of consistent economic growth, there needs to be a sustained programme of national investment.

The physical infrastructure of this country underpins the economic and social infrastructure. Investment in the built environment can spread the benefits of an economic stimulus to all parts of the UK. For every £1 spent on construction output, £2.84 is generated in total economic activity, and 92p of every £1 spent on construction is retained in the UK. This is a message that has to sink in with politicians.

It will be interesting to see how the leaders of the three main political parties fare during the live television debates; and whether

they see the connection between the built environment and the UK's economy, equally the country's legal commitment to reduce CO2 emissions.

Chris Blythe, chief executive, CIOB

Lost decade leading to big housing crisis

New research shows the housing crisis is set to intensify in the South East, with insufficient homes being built here since 2002.

The figures, published by the National Housing Federation, also show that too few homes were built in every region in 2008/09, the latest year for which figures are available, with the South East missing its target by 15 per cent.

Over the period 2002/03-2008/09, the South East missed its target by 11 per cent, delivering 186,290 homes against a target of 210,300.

The news comes as a record 4.5 million people are on housing waiting lists nationally (over 203,000 in the South East), and more than 2.5m across the country are in overcrowded conditions.

Regional targets were introduced by the Government as a way of ensuring enough homes were built in each region to meet local need.

They are drawn up by the former regional assemblies in consultation with local authorities, government housing agencies and regional government offices.

The first targets were issued under the regional planning guidance system. However, since 2004, targets have been increasingly set through regional spatial strategies.

The National Housing Federation says the aim of putting these targets in place was to give a clear signal to South East planning authorities and government agencies, setting out how many homes can realistically be delivered to meet housing need.

While the South East is the region that actually came closest to meeting its target in 2008/09, the figures show a significant shortfall of homes being built in the region over a six-year period.

The end result is thousands of South East households coping with poor and unsuitable housing.

Even during the boom years it is now clear too few affordable houses were being built and now we're left with that legacy.

Urgent action is required to get house-building back on track in the South East, along with every single part of the country.

The federation is calling on ministers and opposition parties to commit to protecting the current level of public spending on housing after the General Election, otherwise we will quite simply not see the right number of homes being delivered.

If we fail to build the right number of homes now, we will store up even more problems for the future, with waiting lists growing further and homelessness and overcrowding getting worse.

Warren Finney, National Housing Federation, South East regional manager

School standards 'will be hit' by cuts

A CHILDREN'S services union has warned of a potential drop in achievement in Kent schools if "deep funding cuts" are not properly considered.

It follows an announcement in February by Kent County Council that some 260 jobs could be slashed from its department for children, families and education in a bid to save £8million.

At the time Cllr Sarah Hohler – cabinet member for the department – insisted frontline services would not be affected, but professional schools improvement staff now believe performance levels will be hit.

Children's services union Aspect, said the restructuring would mean cuts in services that offer professional support to schools.

Restructuring within the department would see seven per cent of jobs lost. In secondary schools improvement teams, however, there could be a 50 per cent reduction in staffing, with no current indication of redeployment in other areas, according to Aspect.

Union officials and school workers argued the plans were developed with little or no consultation with key stakeholders.

But Rosalind Turner, managing director for children, families and education at KCC, said: "We are not yet half way through the consultation and we are interested in any additional proposals to deliver the required efficiencies."

She added that despite the possible changes, a high degree of support for schools would be maintained.

"Our strategy is to reduce management and administration as much as possible, and to protect direct services to children, young people and families," she said.

Drugs, weapons and cigs all stopped at the border

■ BY STEVE KNIGHT

BORDER control officers based across Kent helped seize more than £237 million worth of illegal drugs in just one year.

They also helped prevent 27,000 dangerous weapons from reaching the streets as well as 557 million smuggled cigarettes representing a loss in tax revenue of £109 million.

Launched on April 1, 2009, the UK Border Agency was formed when customs and immigration officers joined forces as one single organisation. It is based in Dover and is also represented at the French ports of Calais, Coquelles, Dunkirk and Boulogne.

Regional director Tony Smith said: "The public expects us to keep the UK border safe and secure at all times because drugs, illegal immigration and contraband damage communities and businesses. That's why we have a strong new force at the border with combined customs and immigration powers, which works 24 hours a day to stop illegal immigrants and smugglers."

During the past year more than a million freight vehicles have been searched at British border controls in northern France and Belgium, with 29,000 illegal attempts to cross the Channel thwarted.

Notable successes include the seizure of £3.7m of drugs from just one lorry – which was



STOPPED: Tobacco and an avocado stuffed with cocaine were seized by UK Border Agency officials at Dover

loaded with oil drums packed with heroin, amphetamine, ecstasy and cannabis – as well as the discovery of 5kg of cocaine hidden in a car bumper and 1.2 tonnes of hand-rolling tobacco concealed in a cargo of boilers.

The agency also carries out intelligence-led operations to catch illegal workers and other immigration offenders.

Where companies are found using illegal workers they face a fine of up to £10,000 per employee. Examples include the arrest of six onion farmers from Iraq and Palestine who

were caught working at a farm in north Kent, and a £30,000 fine for the Hands On Car Wash firm in Ashford, Tenterden and Folkestone that was found to be employing illegal immigrants.

Large companies have also been caught out as well, such as the Whitstable branch of Domino's Pizza that was fined £10,000 for giving work to an illegal Indian and Kosovan.

Mr Smith added: "We are dedicated to stopping drugs getting onto our streets, removing illegal migrants and locking up or deporting the most serious criminals."

"We will continue to crack down on foreign nationals who don't play by the rules, and the people and organisations behind them."

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MORAL decay is etched into a painting in *The Picture of Dorian Gray*.

Oscar Wilde's tale can be seen at the Memorial Theatre in Broadstairs at 7.30pm on Saturday. Tickets cost £10 for Sarah Thorne Theatre Club members and £12 for non-members, who must book at least 24 hours in advance.

To book call 0845 262 6263.

Mexican guitarist stars

ACCLAIMED Mexican guitarist Morgan Szymanski performs for Canterbury Guitar Society on Monday.

The versatile musician is at the Friends Meeting House in The Friars at 7.30pm. Tickets are £10/£7 on the door or send a SAE and cheque made payable to Canterbury Guitar Society to John Kemp, 55 South Street, Whitstable CT5 3EA.

Pampering for charity

LADIES are invited to an evening of pampering at St Laurence Parish Hall in Ramsgate on Saturday.

Indulge in a variety of beauty treatments and browse the stalls in aid of Breast Cancer Research. The fun starts at 7.30pm and tickets cost £2 including refreshments and raffle tickets. To book call 01843 592478.

Musical youth on stage

TALENTED youngsters perform in *High School Musical 2* in Folkestone this week.

The Kidz on Stage Community Youth Project production runs at the Harvey Grammar School from tonight until Saturday. Tickets cost £10/£2 and a two-for-one offer is available on the opening night. To book call 0844 847 1776.

Folk legend at Stores

ICONIC singer-songwriter Michael Chapman will demonstrate his skills at the next Whitstable Folk Night.

Chapman, whose *Fully Qualified Survivor* was named album of the year by DJ John Peel in 1970, is at the Royal Native Oyster Stores at 7.30pm on Friday.

Tickets are £8/£6 from Rock Bottom Records or at www.wegotickets.com.

Bluegrass in boathouse

EXPERIENCE an evening of top bluegrass music when A Band Like Alice visits Upstreet, near Canterbury.

The London band, featuring Bob Winquist, one of the UK's leading bluegrass fiddle players, is at the Boathouse at the Grove Ferry Inn at 8.30pm on Friday. Tickets cost £8 and can be booked online at www.wegotickets.com.

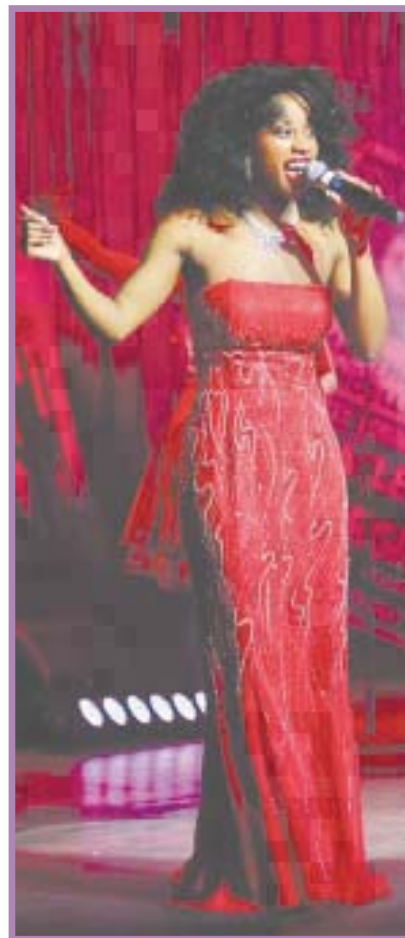
Evening with Crooner

SINGER Martin Croones presents an evening of easy listening music in Cheriton this weekend.

Covering songs by icons like Elvis Presley, Buddy Holly and Neil Sedaka, Croones will be at Cheriton Oddfellows Club at 8.30pm on Saturday. Find out more at www.freewebs.com/thecrooner or emailing thecrooner@talktalk.net.



Re-creating the Motown magic



THE MAGIC OF MOTOWN

Saturday, April 17,

Leas Cliff Hall, Folkestone.



EXPERIENCE the songs that changed the music world with *The Magic of Motown*.

When the music of stars like the Jackson Five, Stevie Wonder and Marvin Gaye began to emerge from Detroit in the early 60s, people all over the world discovered an exciting sound that would have fans dancing in the street.

Now, a Kent audience can step back in time and relive the thrill of that enchanting time.

This toe-tapping show features unforgettable songs from some all-time classic artists, including Diana Ross and the Supremes, the Four Tops, the Temptations, Martha Reeves, Smokey Robinson, Mary Wells and the Isley Brothers.

Many of the songs made famous by the world's most iconic record label will be featured, from *Signed, Sealed, Delivered* and *Stop in the Name of Love*, to *Why Do Fools Fall in Love*. Recapture precious memories or hear these great tunes played live for the very first time during this upbeat celebration.

My Girl became My Guy when Magic of Motown singer Natasha Burnett stepped into some very big shoes. The talented performer plays Diana Ross, but last year she found herself taking on an unexpected additional role – Michael Jackson.

"The first time I performed as Michael was on the night we learned he had passed away," Burnett said.

"We hastily rehearsed a version of Michael's hit *Ben* as an extra special tribute and it was decided I could hit the high notes better than any other member of the cast."

Since then, Burnett has been playing the young Jackson as a member of the Jackson 5,

belting out their timeless hits like *ABC*, *I'll Be There* and *I Want You Back*. Her performances have been so authentic that many audiences have not spotted that this young man is actually a highly-gifted young woman.

"Our production's Michael Jackson has had an unfair advantage when it comes to hitting the young Michael's famed high notes," said show producer, Michael Taylor.

"We didn't feel the necessity to spoil the illusion and there hasn't been a murmur about it on the grapevine. In fact, Natasha's additional role would have remained our little secret, had a radio station not asked for an interview!"

Burnett has been performing on stage from the age of 15, and has also appeared on the big screen, including a role in the film *Children of Man* with Clive Owen and Michael Caine.

The 23-year-old has been playing Diana Ross with consummate skill, as well as Martha Reeves, Gladys Knight and Mary Wells.

"It's a job any girl would die for," she said. "With 16 costume changes, I get to wear the most amazing frocks every night and get paid for the privilege. Fortunately, I restrict my portrayal of Diana Ross to my onstage performance, so the guys need not be concerned that I have any diva tendencies."

With a cast of highly-talented singers and musicians, *The Magic of Motown* claims to offer a different experience every time.

"Our Michael Jackson tribute is a glowing example of how our show can respond and adapt to suit any audience and any situation," Taylor said.

"Other productions can't present anything other than what's rehearsed. Our stars delight in interacting with the audience and adapting to please. No two shows are ever the same."

The show starts at 7.30pm and tickets cost £19.50/£17.50. To book call the box office on 0844 847 1776 or go online at www.leascliffhall.org.uk.



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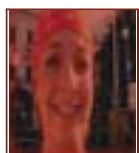
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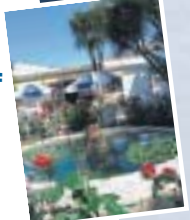
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The railway will be giving passengers the chance to experience the joy of steam for less with the Grandparents Event. For every child rover ticket priced at £7.80, one grandparent can travel free.

Families can enjoy the wonderful scenery of the Wealden countryside and Rother Valley, along with the attractions on offer at the various stations.

The ticket price includes a return ride from Tenterden on a steam or diesel train, taking passengers along the 10.5-mile

journey to Bodiam Station. There are five stations on the line, but passengers are encouraged to board at the main stations – Tenterden, Northiam or Bodiam.

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THE SOLID SILVER 60S SHOW

Thursday, April 15, Leas Cliff Hall, Folkestone



CELEBRATE the best of British music when The Solid Silver 60s Show brings a stellar line-up to Kent.

For its 25th anniversary tour, the production has assembled a fantastic bill of iconic bands including special guests The Troggs. Kent-based group Vanity Fare, pictured will also perform in this evening of nostalgic musical entertainment.

With their hit songs such as Wild Thing and Love Is All Around, The Troggs – whose line-up includes two founder members, front man Reg Presley and lead guitarist Chris Britton – continue to delight audiences.

During the 60s, the Swinging Blue Jeans were one of the most famous bands of the Merseybeat era. Dave Berry scored hits with Mama and much-covered The Crying Game, while Mike Pender was the original voice of The Searchers.

Brian Poole achieved a number of top five hits with The Tremeloes and Peter Sarstedt topped the charts with his Ivor Novello Award-winner, Where Do You Go To (My Lovely).

The show starts at 7.30pm and tickets cost £26.50/£24.50. Book at www.leascliffhall.org.uk or call the box office on 0844 8471776.

DAD RULES – ANDREW CLOVER



Saturday, April 17
Gulbenkian Theatre, Canterbury

THE magic and madness of fatherhood is explored in hilarious style by comedian Andrew Clover.

Based on his popular Sunday Times column, Dad Rules sees Clover blend stand-up comedy with anecdotes from his experiences as a parent. Once terrified of children, Clover morphed into a contented dad with three wonderful young daughters, but still has a lot to learn.

With five acclaimed Edinburgh Festival shows under his belt and a nomination for the former Perrier Award, Clover has shown his comic credentials. From his early morning struggles to generation gaps and his desire to avoid turning into his own father, Clover's observations are funny, captivating and heart-warming.

Dad Rules also inspired a bestselling book, which is now available in paperback. As well as being a successful comedian and writer, Clover is also an actor who has appeared in My Almost Famous Family and Ashes to Ashes.

The show, which is suitable for over-14s, starts at 7.45pm and tickets cost £12/£10. Book online at www.gulbenkiantheatre.co.uk or call the box office on 01227 769075.



WAY UP STREAM

Wednesday, April 21, to Saturday, April 24,
Granville Theatre, Ramsgate



A BOATING holiday takes a sinister turn in Alan Ayckbourn's popular play, Way Up Stream.

Broadstairs Dickens Players present their production of the story, which will be adjudicated for the Kent Drama Festival on the Thursday.

When business partners Keith and Alistair take their wives away on a boating holiday, they should be looking forward to a restful time. But once aboard the cabin cruiser, it becomes apparent that both marriages are under strain and impending union problems add business woes to the mix.

After receiving updates about the crisis, Keith decides to leave the boat to tackle the problem while Alistair continues with his holiday. When he grounds the boat, a stranger, Vince, comes to their rescue and takes control of the vessel, much to the joy of Keith's wife, June. When Vince's girlfriend also joins the party, things take a very strange turn indeed.

Performances start at 7.30pm and tickets cost £9/£8. To book call the box office on 01843 591750. For more information visit the website at www.granvilletheatre.com.



CONCERT FOR SARA

Saturday, April 17, Theatre Royal Margate



THE life of a beautiful young woman is celebrated with a concert in memory of Sara Bakri.

Held in aid of the Children's Liver Disease Foundation and Rethink, the show will pay tribute to Sara (pictured), a gifted dancer who died last year at the age of just 21, and the event will feature performances by many of her friends.

She danced at the Page-Mason School in Broadstairs and Hasland in Herne Bay, both of which will take part in the show, as well as the Year 11 B'Tech Dance Group at the Charles Dickens School which benefited from Sara's help.

The bill also features dancers Rebekka Bowling, Michael Gunn, Kallum Hopper and Louise Dempster, along with Keiron Stone's band, Morning Departure.

Other performers include flautist Lydia Pearson and pianist Neal Osgood, several members of musical family, the Martins, comedy sketch duo The Spring Chix, comedians Greg Holmes and Alan Mitchell and singer Lexi Lea. Sara's brother Nadim and Louise Dempster will be MCs.

The show starts at 7.30pm and tickets cost £8/£6. To book call 0845 130 1786 or 01227 787787 or visit www.theatreroyal-margate.com.



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FANCY A CUDDLE? Loving single mum, 29, shoulder length black hair, brown eyes, 5'13", slim and sexy, part-time carer, looking for reliable, loving male. Canterbury. Box 464326 **Q**

IS ANYONE OUT THERE? 31yr old easygoing, independent female, WLTm, GSOH, fella to enjoy the finer things in life with, leading to LTR with the right person. Box 879331 **Q**

COULD I BE THE ONE? Single mum, 33, divorced, looking to meet a male who enjoys walks, going out, time in and out and much more. Maidstone. Box 464635 **Q**

HORSES FOR COURSES... Caring, loving, affectionate female, 30, 5'2", blonde, likes walking, horse riding, animals, seeks affectionate male, 30-40, for lasting, loving relationship. Box 384013 **Q**

HAPPY DAYS! Attractive, fun-loving female, 35, size 12, dark hair with blonde highlights, tactile, WLTm intelligent, professional, attractive guy, for a happy relationship. Tunbridge Wells. Box 308734 **Q**

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FOOTLOOSE AND FANCY FREE Curvy brunette, 35, with green eyes, 5'3", no ties, looking for an affectionate, and caring non-smoking guy to put the sparkle back into my life. Ashford/Canterbury area please. Box 461938 **Q**

TERMS OF ENDEARMENT Mum of 2, 35, WLTm genuine, honest, kind, down to earth guy interested in working towards loving relationship. Must like children and live in Kent! Box 865131 **Q**

FEAST YOUR EYES ON ME... Hello I'm Andrea, 35, petite 5'3", shoulder length curly hair. I enjoy eating out, cinema and I'm looking for friendship and possible long term relationship. Box 453039 **Q**

SEALED WITH A KISS Petite lady, 36, long hair, blue eyes, single mum, enjoys holidays, wine and dining, laughing, seeks loyal, loving man for friendship and more. Box 453079 **Q**

GROW OLD WITH ME Single mum, 37yrs old, slim build, honest, kind and caring. I'm looking for LTR, love and romance with nice guy in Maidstone area. Box 860164 **Q**

LOVE TO LOVE YOU Lovely female, 36, 5'4", medium/large build, blonde hair, blue eyes, own house, loves walking, going out, the usual! Seeking male for long-term/serious relationship. Box 438102 **Q**

PUT A SMILE ON MY FACE Mum of three, 38, long mousey hair, blue eyes, interested in historical places, music, eating out, seeks kind, caring, genuine male, 36-43, non-smoker, for LTR. Box 440693 **Q**

MAGIC IN MARGATE Loving female, 36, 5'4", brown hair, green eyes, likes socialising, staying in, seeks genuine male for friendship and more. Box 428666 **Q**

FAMILY LIFE Fun to be with woman, 39, I love life, drinks in, walks, family life etc. Looking for a similar man in the Canterbury area. Box 467392 **Q**

FAMILY ORIENTATED Eastbourne based woman, 39, 5'8", slim/medium build. I'm a single mum, and enjoy cooking, music, family life. If you like the same, get in touch! Box 464034 **Q**

CUTE AS CAN BE Cute single mum of four, 38, Kent-based, into most things, looking for friendship, possibly romance. Box 897983 **Q**

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A NICE BOTTLE OF WINE Lovely, glossy brunette, 39yr old, petite, bubbly and loving, enjoys theatre, music and eating out, with a professional, loving and tactile male for a relationship. Box 442551 **Q**

FOR A RELATIONSHIP? Shy but confident-one known female, a mum, 40, likes socialising, tennis, walks, swimming; seeks gent with similar interests to find hopeful love with. Box 452106 **Q**

MANY INTERESTS Hi, I'm based in Ashford and I'm looking for a nice guy in the area. I'm a single mum, 42 and enjoy cooking, and cosy nights. Box 468148 **Q**

NEW TO THIS Attractive single mum of 2, 43yrs old, 5'11", medium build, GSOH, likes cooking, spending time with family & animals. WLTm fun loving, kind, genuine man. Kent. Box 855182 **Q**

DOES THIS SOUND LIKE YOU? Single mum, 42, from Ashford, 5'9", dark hair/eyes, likes wine bars, pubs, days out and keeping fit, looking for a caring and fun-loving gent, 5'9+-. Box 461129 **Q**

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GET CLOSE Funny, cheerful lady, 44, 5'6", curly hair, very social, likes walks and pubs. Looking for a cuddly and outgoing man for a close relationship. Faversham. Box 467518 **Q**

HOW YOU DOING? Attractive, curvy single mum, 44, kind, genuine, loyal and loving, seeking a man with similar qualities to share my life with. St Leonards-on-Sea. Box 459128 **Q**

LIVE LIFE TO THE FULL Good-looking brunette from Kent, 43, 5'10", likes bowling, eating in/out etc. Looking for a similar male to get to know. Looking for friendship/relationship. Box 450348 **Q**

GENUINE REPLIES ONLY Bubbly female, 44, brunette, n/s, medium/large build, enjoys singing and theatre. Would love to meet a decent fun-loving guy, similar age, pref non-smoker for LTR. Box 445955 **Q**

COME ON OVER Fun-loving girl, 47, dark hair/eyes, attractive, looking for a similar male to enjoy nights out and good conversation. Rainham. Box 454480 **Q**

WHY WAIT? Single curvy mum of three, 46, dark hair and blue eyes, GSOH, loves animals, socialising, seeking a similar and romantic man. Tunbridge Wells. Box 467997 **Q**

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YOUNG AT HEART Young 46, attractive, fun-loving female, looking for fit, handsome, intelligent, full of fun, sexy, worldly man to share everything that life has to offer. Box 884113 **Q**

ARE YOU THE ONE FOR ME? Caring, cute female, 46, petite, likes socialising, dancing, travelling, good food, seeking intelligent, loyal man 42-52 for love and TLC. Seaford. Box 444366 **Q**

HELP ME OPEN UP Easygoing lady, 46, dark brown hair/blue eyes, medium build, likes life, socialising, the seaside, walks, drinks, WLTm male to share a bottle of wine with. Box 444585 **Q**

NORMAL GAL Female, 48, divorced and happy, 5'10", looking for genuine man, laughter, sincerity, smart, kind, tall honest man, age under 49 and over 30 a must. Maidstone. Box 866380 **Q**

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HERE AND NOW Outgoing lady, 50, enjoys walks along the beach, nights out and in with a quiet bottle of wine, seeks man to love forever. Box 449254 **Q**

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LET'S SEE WHAT HAPPENS! Smart petite lady, 56, 5'4", tall, blonde hair, green eyes, likes restaurants, theatre, cinema, travel abroad; seeking happy guy with similar interests. Box 446786 **Q**

QUALITY TIME 55 year old lady, 5'6", blonde hair, blue eyes, GSOH, quite fit, enjoys the outdoors, lots of walking, politics, family time with the right man. Box 848381 **Q**

MUSIC TO MY EARS Hi my name's Christine, 59, 5'9", slim build, wear glasses, likes live music, theatre, playing darts, looking for slim build male, for friendship, possible more. Box 419914 **Q**

WALKS ALONG THE COAST Honest & sincere female, 58, tall, GSOH, loves country pubs, coasts, cinema, seeking a man who's a match for me with GSOH for relationship. Box 441622 **Q**

DREAMS OF YOU Genuine, caring lady, late 50s, slim & young looking, looking for a loyal, considerate, N/S male for long term relationship. Box 448566 **Q**

LOTS OF HUGS Positive woman, 60, independent but sociable, I'm 5'4", red hair/green eyes, slim build. Hythe. I enjoy art and walks, seeking similar intelligent man, lively, reliable. Box 464002 **Q**

HOMELY LADY Easygoing lady, 61, 5'11", walks, cosy nights, pubs, meals etc. I'm hoping to meet someone for friendship, and then well see. Folkestone. Box 466963 **Q**

WHAT'S LIFE WITHOUT LOVE? Very bubbly and outgoing, bright, positive Gillingham lady, 61, lived abroad and considered intelligent, but very lonely! How about a drink? Box 468274 **Q**

BRIGHTENING UP Cuddly lady, 61, 5'8", blonde, likes swimming, country pubs, cinema and much more. WLTm tallish single man to hopefully brighten each others lives. Box 870214 **Q**

BE YOURSELF Outgoing lady, active, 60, tolerant, open-minded, loves life animals, and genuine people, seeks a sincere man for romance. Margate. Box 865760 **Q**

OUTGOING LADY Young looking lady, 62, 5'6", blonde hair/hazel eyes. I have GSOH and like music, bowls, cinema country pubs. WLTm man, 55-65 for friendship and more. Canterbury. Box 468269 **Q**

SIMPLE PLEASURES Hi there, I'm a 61yr old lady, blonde hair/green eyes, medium build. I love dancing, walking by the sea and WLTm like minded gent. Box 459467 **Q**

LOVE ME DO Loving and caring lady, 63, 5'3", brown hair/eyes, likes most things in life, looking for a caring and considerate male for friendship, hopefully a LTR. Margate. Box 468082 **Q**

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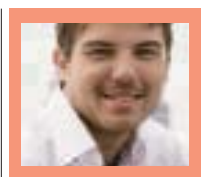
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Women seeking women

MY HEART TO YOU 37 year old gay female from Kent, dark brown eyes, dark hair, loves the outdoors and fresh air, gardening, DIY, seeks feminine lady for love. Box 467298 **Q**

LOVE TO LOVE Easygoing female, 40, blue eyes, blonde hair, medium build, likes wine, dining, socialising, holidays, walks cinema; seeking like-wise female for companionship and more. Box 446953 **Q**

FOLLOW YOUR HEART Quiet sincere lady, 55, animal lover, likes history, reading, gardening and countryside, seeks lady with similar interests. Rochester. Box 465922 **Q**



MEN seeking women

COME ON OVER Hi, dear 25 year old male, 6ft, loves watching movies, football and adventures. Looking for female for friendship and relationship. Chatham. Box 848292 **Q**

SOMETHING OUT OF THE ORDINARY 28yr old guy, 6ft, dark hair, multi-coloured eyes, random sohi, likes music, spending time with friends, sport, seeking a quirky girl to share life with. Tonbridge. Box 456800 **Q**

TAKE A CHANCE Happy-go-lucky guy, 30, slim, brown hair/green eyes, likes rock music, gigs and pubs, looking for a female, 35-30, for good times and possible LTR. Box 466789 **Q**

FOR LOVE Hard-working male, 29, 5'10", dark hair, brown eyes, medium build, plays harder! likes going/eating out, walks, pubs, loves life, seeking similar happy, trustworthy lady. Box 442752 **Q**

ENJOY EACH OTHERS COMPANY 34yr old chap, I'm a single dad, and I'm hoping to meet someone special, hopefully a kind, laid back, loving lady. Chatham. Box 468225 **Q**

IS ANYBODY OUT THERE? Fit, active man, I'm single, good looking, 40yrs old. I like cinema, walks, and eating in and out. Ashford area. Box 465467 **Q**

BOTTLE OF WINE Hi there, I'm an easygoing male, 35, 5'8", medium build, brown hair, I'm based in Brighton and enjoy seeing friends, drinks, cinema, walks. Box 450165 **Q**

CAN YOU PUT UP WITH ME? Hi all I'm 37, 6ft, blue eyes, brown hair and medium build, great cook and SOH, seeking similar lady to take out. Box 451503 **Q**

MAKE ME SMILE AGAIN Seeking genuine lady, I'm a 38yr old male, 5'8", dark hair/blue eyes. I work hard and play hard, would like to enjoy spare time with partner. Box 449649 **Q**

THE GOOD LIFE Young looking male, 39, quiet guy, looking for a LTR, want to relax and enjoy life together, with the right woman. Box 858113 **Q**

FUN & OUTGOING? Young at heart 44yr old male, stocky build, 5'10", Kent-based, father, honest and down-to-earth, likes music, nights in, walking the dog. seeks genuine lady. Box 851804 **Q**

BIG ATTRACTIVE GUY Gillingham male, 43, 6'2", blue eyes, dark hair, confident, relaxed, divorced, two grown-up kids, a chef, works hard, loves soul music, seeks soulmate! Box 465158 **Q**

GO! A GOOD SENSE OF HUMOUR! Malcolm, 43, dark-haired, 5'10", spent a long time on the shelf so looking for chats, friendship and maybe more with a film and music fan. Box 451561 **Q**

LET'S BUILD A ROMANCE Hello, I'm Simon 43, single man in Kent own a construction co. Muscular build, blue-eyed, ruggedly handsome. Looking for a honest and genuine lady. Box 453322 **Q**

GOOD LOOKING BLOKE Tall man medium build, 44, 5'9", brown hair/eyes, with an outgoing nature, looking for a female similar to myself with long hair. Box 871274 **Q**

THE REAL THING Happy-go-lucky, fun-loving male, 42, 5'9", brown eyes, medium build, likes nights out, walking, cinema, socialising, holidays, walks cinema; seeking like-wise female for companionship. Box 441762 **Q**

A SUMMER WALK Loving, caring and reliable, single male, 45, 5'6", dark hair/blue eyes. I'm seeking a relationship with loving lady 34-56. I like holidays, theatre, music etc. Ashford. Box 465408 **Q**

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THE POWER OF LOVE Brighton male, 45, 5'11", dark hair/eyes, enjoy drinking, socialising, movies, nights in, cooking and clubbing, seeking a lady with similar interests for love. Box 467735 **Q**

MUSIC LOVER Richard here, I'm 45, very loving, and I like holidays, listening to music, theatre, cooking, cinema, museums and restaurants. You? Ashford. Box 467883 **Q**

LOOKING FOR LOVE? Easygoing guy with wicked SOH, 45, 5'11", slim-medium build, blue eyes and fair hair, loves animals, pubs and more, seeks loving lady for romance. E Sussex. Box 468369 **Q**

CHEEK TO CHEEK Hard working gent, 45, slim, 6ft, looking for full time relationship with a cinema, bowling and film lover! Gillingham. Box 468396 **Q**

GET TO KNOW ME Male, 46, medium build, easygoing, gosh, honest, caring, 5'8", likes walking, reading, visiting places of interest with a similar lady who is honest. Chatham. Box 851230 **Q**

EASY TO LOVE Margate male, 46, tall and slim, easy-going, enjoy cinema, socialising and sport, looking for a decent lady, 40-55, for friendship and maybe a LTR. Box 468189 **Q**

BIG DEAL IN DEAL Warm, tactile male, 45, 6ft, likes socialising, pubs, clubs, cosy nights in, seeks like minded female, for friendship, leading to more. Box 388967 **Q**

WITTY ACTIVE, adventurous, articulate male, 43, own home/car, enjoys shopping, good food, country walks, music, most things. seeks homely, warm, trusting female. Box 408508 **Q**

CAN'T SMILE WITHOUT YOU Carpenter with own house, 47, looking for a LTR, single mothers are welcome! Loves family life, cooking and beach walks. Box 449274 **Q**

MEET YOUR MATCH! Slim single dad, 47, works full time, looking for a slim/medium build lady, 25-50, children not a problem. Hobbies include, fishing, football, diy and cooking. Dover. Box 462630 **Q**

NEW BEGINNING Sincere genuine man, 47, 5'9", cropped hair, blue eyes, clean shaven, divorced, looking to meet a nice woman to get to know/take out. Eastbourne. Box 449554 **Q**

LOVE AND TRUST Honest, caring man, 50, 5'11", likes cinema, country side, beach walks, meals out, restaurants, looking for honest, caring, lady 45-55, Medway area. Box 852889 **Q**

ALL THE FUN OF THE FAIR! Youthful dad, 45, 5'10", brown hair, med build, divorcee, likes pubs, cinema, restaurants, theme parks, wltm female, 36-45, slim, for possible LTR. Cranbrook. Box 737529 **Q**

MOVING ON... Young 52, I'm a caring male with a GSOH. I enjoy sport, music and eating out, and I would like to meet a similar lady. Rochester. Box 467398 **Q**

DEAL OR NO DEAL? Fit and active man, 52, 5'7", slim build, smart dresser, likes cycling, walking, theatre, poetry and film, WLTm a like-minded slim female, 35-55 with gosh. Deal. Box 459706 **Q**

FIT LADY WANTED Canterbury area. I'm male, 54, 5'9", fit and active, attractive. I'm outgrowing with a GSOH and enjoy meals out, nights in, animals, female company! Box 464416 **Q**

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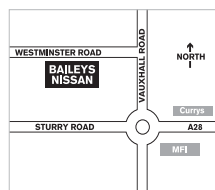
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MOTORS NEWS



Green sportster shows promise ahead of rivals

IT could be that despite the green credentials of petrol-electric hybrids, their best deployment might be the sporting sector.

The instant pulling power of the electric motors can give the performance edge needed for the adrenalin rush would-be buyers crave.

Honda is first to the market with a green sportster, the CR-Z, due in June and priced from a not unreasonable £17,000. It also promises to be an exciting drive, particularly as the first hybrid on sale in the UK with a manual gearbox.



KITT beats the 'Gene Genie' to TV favourite

TWO TV motoring icons and their TV series are back onscreen – Gene Hunt's Audi Quattro (Ashes to Ashes) and KITT (Knight Rider).

Both also appear in a Kwik-Fit poll to find the public's top 10 TV cars.

KITT was top, followed by: 2) Insp Morse's Jaguar MkII, 3) Ferrari Testarossa from Miami Vice, 4) Magnum PI's Ferrari 308, 5) Batmobile, 6) Gene Hunt's Quattro (pictured), 7) Lady Penelope's Rolls, 8) Dukes of Hazzard's General Lee, 9) The Saint's Volvo and 10) A-Team's GMC van.



Jaguar just purrs along during economic gloom

JAGUAR is making light of the sluggish UK economy – it doubled sales of its sleek XJ executive car in March against March 2009.

Sales of all Jaguars are also more than one per cent up for the month, not bad when it was effectively a two-model brand – the junior X-Type model was axed in late 2009, and the all-new XJ is not on sale until May. The surge has been helped by the improved diesel power of the XF (£29,900) complementing the car's sports saloon lines.



MUCH BETTER BY DESIGN: Citroën improved their C3 supermini this year by giving it a classier look and a larger car feel plus an eye-catching Zenith panoramic front screen

Citroën C3 targeting a more discerning small car market

CITROËN launched a vastly improved C3 supermini model earlier this year.

Despite a cuddly, egg-shaped design evoking the brand's classic 2CV, I thought the previous car pretty average.

However, friendly imagery and occasionally bonkers discounting helped blind motoring Francophiles to the car's cramped cabin, sloppy driving characteristics and poor build.

But Citroën must have seen that would-be downsizers and generally more discerning consumers would not be so short-sighted this time.

So the new car (from £10,790) looks and feels much classier and able to deliver a larger car feel for those who really are trading a family hatchback or something bigger in favour of this little five-door supermini.

We tested the car via Wilmoths Citroën at Maidstone where general sales manager Kelvin Clayton was quick to defend the old car yet promote its successor:

"You've got to remember that the original C3 came out seven years ago and things have moved fast in the industry and at Citroën, but it has been a good seller for us and will contin-

ROAD TEST CITROËN C3

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ue to offer value as a used buy. The new car takes us to a new level and we expect to do well with it."

The test car was an upmarket 1.4 Exclusive with a lively 95bhp VTi 16v petrol engine (£14,090), with interior chroming, leather trimmings and auto climate and cruise controls.

But it also had the eye-catching Zenith panoramic front screen – the new C3's trademark. This is standard on all but the VT entry model and comes with a neat pull-down interior 'roof' and sun visors.

It's a stylish luxury touch to the C3 range and defines its more upmarket stance this time.

There is little disappointment on the move either, with a better balance of ride comfort and handling than before and the 1.4 engine is well-suited to the car, though there are 1.1 and 1.6-litre petrol alternatives plus 1.4 and 1.6 diesels.

My only criticism on the test was a slightly sloppy gearshift, which may irritate keen drivers. But there is so much more to like about this smarter and swifter C3.

It should be cheap to run too, with a range of frugal low emission engines plus a miserly ultra-eco Airdream version from £14,490.



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SEAT Alhambra 1.9 TDI PD SE (130 BHP) 5-Door MPV Nov 2003

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Steve Osborne, The Mortgage Man, shares his knowledge with you in this fortnightly column



AS THE size of the average mortgage increases, so too does the need to protect your partner and your family against being left with a huge debt should the worst happen.

The death of the main breadwinner is bad enough without the added problem of where to find a four-figure mortgage payment each month. There are a number of ways in which you can protect yourself and your home, and I am being asked for advice from more and more clients who want to make sure they won't have to worry about losing their home as well as a loved one.

Term assurance is probably the simplest type of protection and often the cheapest. It simply pays out if the insured person dies and can either be on a level or a decreasing basis depending on the reason for the cover.

Critical illness cover is similar way but has the added benefit of paying out if the policy holder contracts one of a specified list of critical illnesses. These vary between companies, so make sure you compare not just the cost but the cover provided.

Family income benefit is a term assurance policy, with or without critical illness cover, that differs by paying out a monthly income for a set period rather than a lump sum.

This is often cheaper than a lump sum policy and it does away with the worry of having to invest a large sum of money at a time when the surviving family has more important concerns.

Permanent health insurance pays out a monthly income if you are unable to work due to accident or sickness. This is a long-term plan designed to continue to your retirement date or until you return to work and should not be confused with the short term accident, sickness and unemployment plans that have had so much bad press.

Make sure you get good independent advice and remember that if a life assurance policy is set up incorrectly you could end up with a big inheritance tax bill rather than the money going where you intended it to.

Steve Osborne, director, The Mortgage Company, Ashford



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Ombudsman's demand for lettings protection

Landlords and tenants would benefit from closure of legislative loopholes, says report

■ BY NICK AMES

THE Property Ombudsman is demanding that whichever party wins General Election urgently legislates to improve protection for both landlords and tenants who employ letting agents.

The call has been echoed by many across the property field who say action needs to be taken as soon as possible.

In his annual report, Ombudsman Christopher Hamer urges swift action because of the increasing activity in the lettings market during the downturn.

According to his report, the fact that letting agents were not covered by the provisions of the Consumers, Estate Agents and Redress Act is an "alarming inconsistency".

Mr Hamer also recommends that landlords and tenants only use agents who are members of a recognised trade association or any agent who is a member of the Property Ombudsman

scheme. LetAssured UK is one company active in this area.

"LetAssured UK has been specifically set up by landlords to protect themselves and other like-minded landlords from the unscrupulous activities of some letting agents," said managing director David Plaister.

"Landlords from across the UK have been joining with us in a move away from the traditional agents who have been rubbing their hands and watching the fees roll in."

The proportion of the Ombudsman's workload related to lettings disputes rose from 28 per cent to 49 per cent of his workload last year. LetAssured UK said it guarantees landlords and tenants peace of mind in knowing that they are dealing with a firm which meets defined standards of customer service and has the necessary insurance to protect their clients' money, plus a customer complaints procedure offering independent redress.

"LetAssured underpins the entire administrative procedure of renting property on behalf of the landlord, and he is safe in the knowledge there will be no hidden costs," said Mr Plaister.



FLOOD OF COMPLAINTS: Whoever wins the election will need to address inconsistencies in lettings legislation

Springing into action can increase chance of a sale

CONNELLS offices in Kent are enjoying one of their busiest periods since the start of the year and say the upward trend looks set to continue.

Staff say more properties are coming on the market and business is looking good.

"Our branches have had a busy few weeks with more properties coming on the market as people are encouraged by lower interest rates and the start of spring.

"Demand is continuing to outstrip supply and because of the lack of stock there are more people chasing the same property, which is driving prices up in some areas," said Connells regional managing director, Kevin Peel.

"Houses continue to sell as long as vendors are realistic in their expectations and their estate agent is prepared to work hard on

their behalf, using every opportunity to bring a property to the attention of as many buyers as possible."

Mr Peel said buyers could help by following a few simple tips: "First impressions count, so make sure your property has 'kerb appeal'. Paint the front door, tidy the garden and put up hanging baskets," he said.

"Make sure the home is clean, tidy and de-cluttered. Buyers are trying to picture themselves in your home, so get rid of junk and minimise personal possessions such as photos. Throw out anything that has been broken for a year or more. If you haven't mended it by now, chances are you never will."

Spring flowers in bloom make gardens particularly attractive, and spring cleaning adds to homes looking good, both inside and out, he added.

Association upset by new legislation

LANDLORDS' "worst fears" have been realised with new legislation covering houses in multiple occupation, it has been claimed by one of the bodies representing them.

The laws will see landlords required to gain planning permission if they purchase a property designed to be rented to three or more unrelated people. Alan Ward, chairman of the Residential Landlords' Association, criticised the legislation on two grounds.

"First, it is totally impractical," he said. "And second, it is social engineering, because planning law has never been about who can live where – it's about the use of the building."

Mr Ward said landlords were unlikely to wait for any administrative delays in planning permission being granted.

His comments come after PropertyEarth.net research indicated three-bedroom houses made up 57 per cent of all property searches by investors. Two-bedroom homes accounted for 21 per cent, and four-bedrooms 15 per cent.

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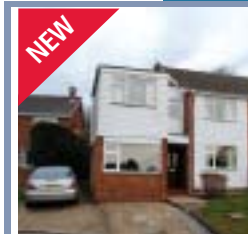
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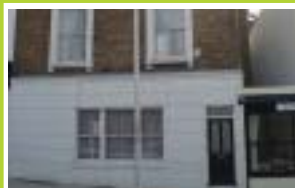
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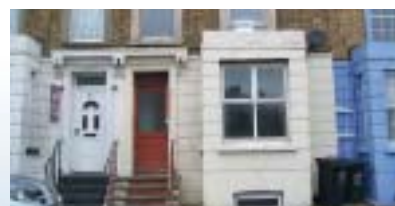
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PROLIFIC: Simon Hosking (left) hit form in front of goal for Herne Bay United last weekend

Victory keeps Bay top of the Premier League

HERNE Bay United maintained their slender lead in roller hockey's National Premier League with wins against Manchester and neighbours Herne Bay last weekend.

The reigning champions despatched rivals Herne Bay 25-1 on Saturday, while Manchester were beaten 8-6 the following day.

The double win kept United one point clear of title rivals Middlesbrough, with the two still on course for an end of season decider at the Pier in June.

Manager Phil McVey – part of the HBU 2 side which lost 9-6 to Manchester on Saturday –

ROLLER HOCKEY

was pleased with the manner of the two wins.

He said: "They were professional performances. We didn't play as well on Sunday as we did against Herne Bay, but a lot of that was down to Manchester. They played well but at this stage of the season it's a case of just winning games.

"The game against Herne Bay was probably one of our best we've played this season, everything clicked.

"From my point of view I'm conscious of

the team not picking up any bad habits, so it wasn't about the number of goals, it was about moving the ball around well."

Simon Hosking starred in front of goal against Herne Bay, netting eight goals to set up United's biggest league win of the season.

He also netted a hat-trick against Manchester, a feat matched by top scorer Brendan Barker. Joel Figueiredo and Dendy Hudson were also on target.

Next up are home games against Project 2010 – effectively the national youth side – and Bury on the weekend of April 24-25.

CYCLING

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HAPPY: Kristian House is pleased with his start

House puts team first to win Tour

NATIONAL road race champion Kristian House was happy to sacrifice his chance at an individual title for the good of the team at the Tour DoonHame last weekend.

The 30-year-old went into the final stage in Scotland wearing the green jersey, awarded to the rider who collects the most points from sprints during the race. It would have been a first title of the season, but instead he played a supporting role to help Rapha Condor Sharp teammate Chris Newton win the overall classification, ten seconds ahead of nearest challenger Jack Bauer.

Team tactics play a crucial role in road cycling and House, who grew up near Canterbury, insisted he was pleased to help Newton finish the race first.

He said: "I think you get as much satisfaction doing what we did as winning something for yourself. Everyone rode themselves into the ground for him. I was in green but that was never my goal. There were probably moments when I could've gone for it and if the opportunity came up for easy points I would've, but it didn't happen."

House's season is only a few weeks old, but already he has competed in the United States, Singapore and France. The reigning British champion moved straight from the Tour DoonHame to ride in the four-day Circuit des Ardennes, which finishes tomorrow, as the season gradually starts to intensify.

Races in New York and Japan are also scheduled in the next few weeks, sandwiching the Tour de Bretagne later this month – a key early season event.

House believes the win in Scotland, which came as another team from Rapha were winning stages in Northern Ireland, bodes well for the season ahead.

He said: "I'm not in peak shape yet. You can do all the training you want, but it's only once we get to these races when you get an idea of how you're going."

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Bowlers concern ahead of Kent season opener

CRICKET

■ BY GLENN PEARSON

KENT make a return to the LV= County Championship Division One tomorrow as they begin away to Nottinghamshire.

Rob Key's side made an immediate return to the top flight after winning the Division Two title last summer and will be eager to get off to a good start at Trent Bridge.

Kent's main concern ahead of the season-opener is over their bowling attack. Amjad Khan and Robbie Joseph were both left out of the side's warm-up game against Loughborough UCCE, which finished on Monday, to give the pair every chance of being fit in time for tomorrow's start. New signing Dewald Nel is in a similar position as it's believed he picked up a back injury.

Several players did make the most of their chance to get some valuable playing time, with the side's batsmen in particular enjoying the workout against the students. Rob Key (140), Geraint Jones (112) and Martin van Jaarsveld (106) all gained valuable time out in the middle as Kent declared on 504 for 7 in their first innings at Canterbury, while Joe Denly also hit a century in the second innings.

With doubts over their bowlers against Nottinghamshire, head coach Paul Farbrace will have been pleased to see Phil Edwards and Warren Lee bowl tidily. They took two wickets each as Loughborough were bowled out for 259, but Simon Cook was the stand-out performer, taking 3 for 24 from 21 overs.

The dependable 33-year-old seamer extended his contract last week until the end of the 2011 season after showing his worth in all formats of the game last year.

Farbrace said: "Securing the services of an experienced player like Simon is great news for the club. He is a quality bowler and is fast becoming Kent's mister reliable. We are all very pleased that he has extended his stay."

The squad's bowling unit has been further bolstered with the signing of teenage bowler Ashley Shaw.

The 18-year-old signed a two-year deal after impressing in a trial at St Lawrence last week. The left-arm seamer is unlikely to feature at the start of the season having played age group cricket for Cheshire, but the club are hopeful he will be one for the future.

Farbrace said: "Ashley is an exciting prospect. He has a good work ethic and wants to improve as a cricketer. He did well in a recent trial and we are keen to work with him and hopefully enhance his game."



Picture ADY KERRY

CENTURION: Rob Key hit form for Kent during the pre-season warm-up against Loughborough

Boss won't be happy if Bay miss out on promotion

FOOTBALL

BY DAVID PRITCHARD

Hythe Town 0

Herne Bay 2

King 33 & 50

SIMON Halsey admits he will look at this season as a failure even if his Herne Bay side finish runners-up in the Kent League and win the Premier Division Cup.

Despite an excellent 2-0 win at Hythe on Saturday, Bay's chances of lifting the league title receded as leaders Faversham beat Holmesdale. It left the Lilywhites needing just four points from their final three games, one of which was played last night, to clinch the championship.

Bay should finish second even if they fall just short, while they also have the Premier Division Cup final against Sevenoaks to look forward to next month. Despite the achievements Halsey, the Bay manager, will not be completely satisfied if the club miss out on promotion.

He said: "If I'm realistic I'm going to say we have failed if we don't win the league, but for the lads and the club to be runners-up and hopefully win a cup, you have to class it as a successful season. The reserves and under-18s



BRACE: Stuart King scored both goals for Herne Bay

are also doing well, so the club's had a great season, but for me there will be an element of failure because we lost three league games in a row a month ago."

Potentially the most damaging of the three defeats was against Hythe, who scored twice in the dying minutes to win 2-1 at Winch's Field. The sides met in the reverse fixture at Reachfields on Saturday, but there was no repeat of the late drama as Bay comfortably won thanks to a brace from Stuart King.

Bay were missing several first-team players, including Darren Marsden (knee) and skipper Luke Harvey, whose calf injury is likely to

Herne Bay starting XI



Subs used: Eastwood (Jenner 52), R. Lawrence (King 68), Valencia (M. Turner 80)

keep him out for the rest of the season. Despite the losses Bay quickly gained control of the game as Michael Jenner, Byron Walker and Dan Lawrence all came close.

Town looked to have weathered the storm but the pressure eventually told as the breakthrough came 12 minutes before the interval. A long ball was flicked on for Walker, whose path to goal was blocked, but the ball broke kindly for King to break through and steer the ball home.

The advantage was doubled five minutes into the second-half, but again it had an element of misfortune for the hosts. An innocuous through ball led to a defensive mix-up which resulted in a hurried clearance hitting King, who had the simplest of tasks to tap into an empty net.

King and Jenner were both withdrawn with injuries, but Bay might have extended their lead before full-time. Michael Turner came closest, but the youngster slipped a shot just past the post after good work from Rob Lawrence.

Bay host basement side Lordswood tonight (7.45pm kick-off), while Fisher visit Saturday.

FOOTBALL



STRETCH: Clint Gooding wins the ball

Town fall back in drop zone after loss to in-form Invicta

Whitstable Town 1 Folkestone Invicta 3

WHITSTABLE Town require nothing short of a victory when they face fellow strugglers Ashford Town tomorrow night after slipping back into the Ryman South's bottom two at the weekend.

The Oystermen lost at home to title-chasing Folkestone Invicta on Saturday, leaving them needing to pick up seven points from their final five games to be sure of survival.

Town hosted play-off candidates Worthing last night, but it is tomorrow's rearranged local derby with Ashford which caretaker manager Mark Lane is targeting for one of the two wins his side still need.

Speaking ahead of last night's game, he said: "I think we need something against Worthing and definitely a win against Ashford. We know what we need to do mathematically and if we do that we'll do it for ourselves without relying on anyone else."

"We need to get a couple of wins and we certainly don't want to leave it until the final game. It's going to be tough but we seem to do better against the Kent teams."

Whitstable went into Saturday's game with confidence following a superb 3-2 win at Sittingbourne in midweek. Their optimism did not last long, as Invicta built a 2-0 lead inside 20 minutes. Town could feel hard done by over both goals, the first from Brendon Cass took a deflection which gave Kevin Fewell no chance, and the second a Darren Smith penalty for handball which the players argued had hit Steven Lloyd's head.

Lloyd pulled a goal back in the second-half, but Cass' second goal ten minutes from time sealed Whitstable's fate.

Log on to www.yourcanterbury.co.uk for the details from last night's game against Worthing.

LEAGUE TABLE

(Not including midweek games)

RYMAN DIVISION ONE SOUTH

	P	W	D	L	Gd	Pt
1 Croydon Athletic	38	25	6	7	+49	81
2 Folkestone Invicta (-10)	37	27	6	4	+32	77
3 Worthing	38	22	4	12	+26	70
4 Leatherhead	38	21	6	11	+32	69
5 Godalming Town (-3)	36	22	4	10	+23	67
6 Fleet Town	38	20	6	12	+20	66
7 Burgess Hill Town	36	17	9	10	+13	60
8 Walton & Hersham	38	17	7	14	+5	58
9 Sittingbourne	36	17	6	13	+18	57
10 Horsham YMCA	40	14	14	12	+6	56
11 Metropolitan Police	38	15	9	14	+9	54
12 Ramsgate	39	13	13	13	-3	52
13 Corinthian-Casuals	39	16	3	20	-11	51
14 Whyteleafe	39	14	6	19	+1	48
15 Dulwich Hamlet	39	12	11	16	-10	47
16 Mersham	40	13	11	17	-16	47
17 Chatham Town	40	13	4	23	-22	43
18 Chislehurst	39	9	9	21	-23	36
19 Ashford Town	37	8	11	18	-34	35
20 Walton Casuals	40	8	8	24	-25	32
21 Whitstable Town	37	10	2	25	-48	32
22 Eastbourne Town	40	6	11	23	-42	29

KENT LEAGUE PREMIER DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	Gd	Pt
1 Faversham Town	27	21	2	4	+46	65
2 Herne Bay	26	18	2	6	+31	58
3 Beckenham Town	27	15	5	7	+21	50
4 Greenwich Borough	27	12	8	7	+10	44
5 Hythe Town	26	11	8	7	+23	41
6 Sevenoaks Town	25	12	4	9	+8	40
7 Deal Town	27	11	6	10	+5	39
8 Erith Town	26	10	7	9	+22	37
9 Norton Sports	26	9	6	11	-5	33
10 Erith & Belvedere	27	9	6	12	-14	33
11 Tunbridge Wells	27	8	8	11	-4	32
12 Holmesdale	26	9	3	14	0	30
13 Corinthian	28	8	3	17	-28	27
14 Fisher	25	7	5	13	-19	26
15 Sporting Bengal United	29	7	4	18	-50	25
16 Lordswood	27	3	9	15	-21	18

KENT COUNTY LEAGUE PREMIER DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	Gd	Pt
1 Stansfield O&B Club	26	18	3	5	+28	57
2 Sutton Athletic	26	17	5	4	+34	56
3 Hollands & Blair	23	15	6	2	+30	51
4 Phoenix Sports	20	13	5	2	+20	44
5 Canterbury City	24	13	4	7	+19	43
6 Rusthall	26	12	3	11	+3	39
7 Fleet Leisure	21	9	5	7	+3	32
8 Bly Spartans	23	9	3	11	-9	30
9 Cray Valley (PM)	20	9	2	9	+12	29
10 Bearsted	22	8	5	9	-1	29
11 Lewisham Borough	25	7	5	13	-12	26
12 Orpington	27	7	5	15	-14	26
13 Snodland	26	7	5	14	-18	26
14 Tonbridge Invicta	27	6	5	16	-24	23
15 Milton & Fulston United	25	6	2	17	-35	20
16 Cony Hall	27	5	3	19	-36	18

FIXTURES (Tonight): Kent League Premier Division: Herne Bay v Lordswood; Kent County League Premier Division: Milton & Fulston United v Canterbury City; (Tomorrow): Ryman Division One South: Ashford Town v Whitstable Town; (Saturday): Ryman Division One South: Corinthian Casuals v Whitstable Town; Kent League Premier Division: Herne Bay v Fisher; Kent County League Premier Division: Tonbridge Invicta v Canterbury City

Aggrieved City forced to settle for a share of spoils

FOOTBALL

Canterbury City 2 Hollands & Blair 2

CANTERBURY City shared the points with high-flying Hollands & Blair on Saturday but felt aggrieved over a contentious refereeing decision late in the game.

Visiting goalkeeper Lewis Flisher handled the ball outside the area, with Royston Gough in a goalscoring position. City stopper Paul Hyde had been dismissed in similar circumstances in a previous game, but Flisher was only booked and Hollands went on to see out the draw.

Both sides came into the game needing a victory to bolster their hopes of a strong finish to the season, with the visitors still in title contention.

City found themselves under prolonged first-half pressure which made it difficult to provide lone central striker Royston Gough with much meaningful possession. They had the first of two strong penalty claims turned down, just after Gough had hit a post with a low shot.

H&B had their chances but had to wait until the second-half to open the scoring. Former Faversham winger Sean Hetterley put them in front and five minutes later Ricky Freeman doubled the advantage with a header.

But City responded superbly, scoring twice in two minutes to draw level. Gough got them back into the game with a shot which rattled in off the post, while Scott Lawford equalised from a corner which was helped in



ON TARGET: Luke Lockhart (right) scored City's equaliser

by Flisher.

The hosts felt they did enough to score a third, with Lockhart held down for their second penalty appeal, before Flisher's booking.

City visit struggling Tonbridge Invicta on Saturday.

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